GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

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SPECIAL STEEL FROM ALLOY STEEL PLANT
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether due to imposition of restriction on import of special steel by USA and European counties, Alloy Steel Plant has provided special steel for Bofors cannon balls during Kargil War;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether ASP manufacture modern spare parts for artificial Sattelites, special steel for war trucks body, bullet-proof Jackets, rocket, axle, etc;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether ASP received recognition from ISO 9002 seven times; and

(f) if so, the steps taken by the Government for its revival?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Alloy Steels Plant (ASP) is the regular supplier of SAE-9260 and B-24 steel to Ordinance Factories which are used for making shells for Bofors Gun.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) ASP is producing Spade and Jackel steel and supplying to HVF Avadi and Ordinance Factory, Medak for armoured vehicles and bullet proof jackets. ASP is also supplying steel to ISRO, Bharat Electronics, Bharat Dynamic and others which are used for artificial satellites.

(e) ASP received ISO-9002 certification for the whole plant in September 1994 and re-certification of the same has been achieved on September 1997 and September 2000, which is valid upto September 2003.

(f) With a view to revive ASP, SAIL is presently taking steps to convert the plant into a joint venture with a suitable partner.